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From: Dreyfus, Melissa G.
Sent: Thur 8/13/2015 9:49:15 PM
Subject: Fw: Additional Superfund Qs

From: Schlieger, Brian

Sent: Thursday, August 13, 2015 4:04 PM

To: EOC Technical Specialist

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Subject: Re: Additional Superfund Qs

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From: Dreyfus, Melissa G. on behalf of EOC Technical Specialist

Sent: Thursday, August 13, 2015 3:37 PM

To: Schlieger, Brian

Subject: Fw: Additional Superfund Qs

Brian,

the last question is the one about whether Superfund would cover an expense such as a water treatment plant.

thanks

From: Thomas, Latosha

Sent: Thursday, August 13, 2015 12:26 PM

To: EOC Technical Specialist

Subject: Fw: Additional Superfund Qs

Hi,

These are a subset of questions from Associated Press re: Superfund and the spill. Thanks!

From: Senn, John on behalf of EOC Public Information

Sent: Thursday, August 13, 2015 12:14 PM

To: Thomas, Latosha

**Subject:** Additional Superfund Qs

- --had Gold King Mine been designated a Superfund site, what would have been the chances of the spill happening?
- --how many mines are currently on the National Priorities List? Can we get a list of those or is there a way to search on the Superfund website?
- --is there a gauge of how often resistance to a Superfund designation by local officials has prevented a site's listing?
- -was a preliminary assessment ever completed on the Gold King Mine or for a group of mines including Gold King?
- --it's my understanding that the EPA has said a water treatment plant estimated to cost \$12-\$17m (and \$1M a year to operate) would be able to clean the water in the Animas. Is that correct? And if so, is it the type of expense that Superfund would cover?